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MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

SB 569 (Allen)

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Senate Bills 569 and 570 would amend the Income Tax Act and the SBT Act, respectively, to allow a qualified taxpayer to receive a tax credit for the rehabilitation of a historic resource located in an incorporated local unit of government that has no ordinance under the Local Historic Districts Act. The historic preservation tax credits help property owners to engage in activities that serve to preserve local character, revitalize communities, stimulate economic activity, and emphasize Michigan's rich heritage. Currently, a historic resource within a local unit of government with a population of 5,000 or more must be located in a designated historic district in order for a property owner to qualify for a historic preservation tax credit. Since the Bay View Association is not located in a designated historic district, its homeowners and businesses are no longer eligible for the credits because the population of the local unit is not under 5,000. Many of the structures within Bay View were built before 1900 and require ongoing work. By allowing the credits to be claimed for a historic resource located outside of a designated historic district in a local unit of more than 5,000 people, the bills would enable Association property owners to continue contributing to the preservation of irreplaceable community assets.

SB 569:

- The Senate concurred with the House amendment to SB 569 [RC 89: 33 yes, 1 no].

SB 570:

- The Senate concurred with the House amendment to SB 570 [RC 90: 36 yes, 0 no].

FINAL PASSAGE

HB 5245 (Robertson)

HB 5247 (Vander Veen)

HB 5248 (Wojno)

HB 5331 (Ball)

HB 5398 (Green)

Nurse Practitioners

House Bill 5245 would amend the Revised Judicature Act to refer to the report of a certified nurse practitioner regarding the condition of an individual ordered to submit to a physical exam. Under the Act, a court, board, or commission, or other public body or officer may order an individual to submit to a physical examination. A copy of any written report and findings rendered by the examining physician relative to the person's condition must be delivered to the individual or his or her attorney. The bill would refer to the report and findings of a "licensed" physician or a certified nurse practitioner. The bill specifies that these provisions, as amended by the bill, would not require new or additional third-party reimbursement or worker's compensation benefits for services rendered.

- *George Ia was adopted.*
- *Committee S-1 was adopted.*
- *HB 5245 was moved to 3rd Reading of Bills.*
- **HB 5245 passed with IE [RC 91: 37 yes, 0 no].**

House Bill 5247 would amend the Michigan Adoption Code to require a prospective adoptive parent to undergo a physical examination by a physician, physician's assistant, or certified nurse practitioner.

- *HB 5247 was moved to 3rd Reading of Bills.*
- **HB 5247 passed with IE [RC 92: 37 yes, 0 no].**

House Bill 5248 would amend the Motor Carrier Safety Act to define the term "medical examiner" as it is defined under Federal motor carrier safety regulations for purposes related to the physical qualifications of commercial motor vehicle (CMV) operators. Under the bill, "medical examiner" would mean that term as defined is a person who is licensed, certified, and/or registered, in accordance with applicable state laws and regulations, to perform physical examinations. The term includes doctors of medicine, doctors of osteopathy, physician assistants, advanced practice nurses, and doctors of chiropractic.

- *Committee S-1 was adopted.*
- *HB 5248 was moved to 3rd Reading of Bills.*
- **HB 5248 passed with IE [RC 93: 37 yes, 0 no].**

House Bill 5331 would amend the Revised School Code to provide for immunity to a school administrator or employee who administered medication to a pupil according to instructions of a physician's assistant or certified nurse practitioner.

- *HB 5331 was moved to 3rd Reading of Bills.*

- **HB 5331 passed with IE [RC 94: 37 yes, 0 no].**

House Bill 5398 would amend the child care licensing Act, to require each member of the household of an applicant for a foster family home or foster family group home license to submit a medical statement to a child placing agency or an approved governmental unit.

- *HB 5398 was moved to 3rd Reading of Bills.*
- **HB 5398 passed with IE [RC 95: 37 yes, 0 no].**

THIRD READING OF BILLS

HB 4893 (Gaffney)

House Bill 4893 would add to the Public Health Code to provide for the licensure of athletic trainers. The bill would do all of the following: Prohibit a person from engaging in the practice of athletic training unless licensed. Require the Department of Community Health (DCH) to issue an athletic trainer license to an applicant who met the criteria for licensure contained in rules promulgated under Part 179, and paid the required fees. Establish a \$75 application processing fee and a \$200 annual license fee. Require a licensed athletic trainer, when renewing a license, to submit proof that he or she successfully completed training in first aid, CPR, and foreign body obstruction of the airway, and proof that he or she met certain continuing education requirements. Require the DCH to promulgate rules establishing minimum licensure standards and standards of care for the practice of athletic training. Prohibit a person from calling himself or herself an athletic trainer, or using certain other titles, without being licensed. Create the Michigan Athletic Trainer Board within the DCH.

- **House Bill 4893 was moved to 3rd Reading of Bills [no amendments].**